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- ☒ The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached Japanese Office Action mailed June 21, 2004, in Japanese Application no. 2000-163012, which is related to the current application and on the form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
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- ☒ Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
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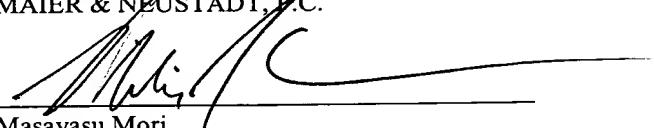
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